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WASHINGTON EXCHANGE CARRIER ASSOCIATION, ET AL,

DOCKET NO. UT-031472

Complainants,

ORDER NO. 08

v.

FINAL ORDER GRANTING MOTIONS FOR SUMMARY DETERMINATION

LOCALDIAL CORPORATION,

Respondent.

A company that provides intrastate long distance, phone-to-phone telephony with internet protocol in the middle (*i.e.*, service that uses the public switched telephone network to originate and terminate calls) is a telecommunications company within the meaning of RCW 80.04.010 and is an interexchange carrier subject to local exchange carrier tariffs to the same extent as other interexchange carriers that provide intrastate long distance service in Washington. ¶¶ 56-58; RCW 80.04.010.

The classification of a company that provides intrastate long distance, phone-to-phone telephony with internet protocol in the middle does not turn on whether the internet-in-the-middle portion of the call is on a private local area network (*i.e.*, corporate internet) using internet

protocol or on the public internet, again using internet protocol. ¶¶ 56-57; RCW 80.04.010.

June 15, 2004

In the Matter of the Petition of Qwest Corporation to Initiate a Mass-Market Switching and Dedicated Transport Case Pursuant to the Triennial Review Order DOCKET NO. UT-033044

ORDER NO. 15

ORDER GRANTING JOINT CLEC MOTION; REQUIRING QWEST TO MAINTAIN STATUS QUO; SCHEDULING STATUS CONFERENCE

The Commission orders Qwest to continue to provide all of the products and services under existing interconnection agreements with CLECs, at the prices set forth in the agreements, until the Commission approves amendments to the agreements of the FCC, otherwise resolving legal uncertainties presented by USTA II. This will allow negotiation or arbitration of amendments to agreements to proceed without the threat of sudden or unplanned discontinuation of services and products offered under the agreements. It will also promote the public interest in maintaining stability in the Washington State telecommunications

market. ¶¶ 22-23; § 251.

Requiring Qwest to maintain the status quo under interconnection agreements is consistent with Section 251 because it does not establish unbundling requirements, but merely requires Qwest to comply with the terms of its existing interconnection agreements until the FCC establishes interim rules, or until the Commission approves appropriate amendments to those agreements. ¶ 23; § 251.